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**Re: Preliminary Amendment (Amendment "C") relating to U.S. Patent  
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**Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING SOFTWARE FOR OFFICE  
EQUIPMENT AT POINT-OF-SALE**

**Our Ref: 10007878-1**

**Dear Sir:**

Please find attached a Preliminary Amendment relating to the above referenced Patent Application, as discussed between Examiner Willett and John Reid on October 18, 2005.

**Sincerely,**



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8 INVENTOR(S): Leonard SCHROATH CONFIRMATION NO.: 9806

9 SERIAL NO.: 09/855,216 GROUP ART UNIT: 2142

10 FILING DATE: May 14, 2001 EXAMINER: WILLETT, Stephen F.

11 TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING  
12 SOFTWARE FOR OFFICE EQUIPMENT AT POINT-OF-SALE

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17 PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

18 This Preliminary Amendment is being filed responsive to the October 18, 2005  
19 telephonic interview between the Examiner and the Applicant's representative.

20 Claim Summary:

21 Claims originally present: 1-23  
22 Claims previously canceled: 2-3, 8, 14, 17 and 23.  
23 Claims previously amended: 1, 10, 13, 15, 19 and 21.  
24 Claims previously added: 24 and 25.  
25 Claims hereby canceled: none.  
Claims hereby amended: 1.  
Claims hereby being added: none.  
Claims remaining: 1, 4-7, 9-13, 15-16, 18-22 and 24-25.

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